

\$100,000 TO SAVE BODY.

Amount Offered to Prevent Burial at Sea of Banker Wormser.

DISEASE NOT CONTAGIOUS.

Arguments of Doctor Had no Weight with the Captain.

News was received here to-day from Jamaica giving further details of the death and burial at sea of Banker A. J. Wormser while on board the steamer Atlas on April 3. Mr. Wormser's physician, who was travelling with him, protested against the burial at sea, and offered to pay the steamship company \$100,000 if interment was permitted on shore.

This offer was refused by the captain, who said that the reason he insisted on a burial at sea was because such had always been the custom.

"The case may have been an exceptional one," Dr. Whitmer is reported to have said, "but the circumstances all pointed to the fact that the body could easily have been brought in. I had with me sufficient embalming fluid to keep it for a long period, and besides, there was plenty of ice on board. I maintain that there was not the slightest necessity to bury the body at sea. Whether the rules of the company exact this or whether Capt. Low acted on his own initiative I don't know."

"The captain died suddenly over night. On the Sunday preceding he had been feeling unusually well, and about 9 o'clock in the evening I went into his cabin and found him sleeping nicely. His wrist was about half an hour later when he retired."

"The next morning the vessel discovered that Mr. Wormser was dead, and he at once called me."

"I found him lying in the most natural position with not even the slightest disturbance, which indicated that he must have passed away very easily, although a paroxysm of asthma must have been the cause of his death. He had been suffering from cardiac asthma and at times felt great pain as a result."

"When Capt. Low was told that Mr. Wormser had died he at once said that the body must go overboard. I asked him to wait until we reached Port-au-Prince, where I understood a stop was to be made."

"The captain replied that he had never heard of any one being buried on Fortune Island and that in any case the interval was too long."

"I then informed him that I could take care of the remains and embalm them. Capt. Low replied that when a person dies on ship the body must be buried. When I asked him by what rule he went in that respect he said that he did not know except that it had been the custom from a long time ago."

"It is true, Doctor, that you offered from \$50,000 to \$100,000 if the captain would take the body to port?" was asked of Dr. Whitmer.

After a moment's hesitation he replied that while no amount had been actually offered, money would have been no matter if the remains could have been brought home. Mr. Wormser had with him jewelry and money to the amount of more than \$50,000, and \$50,000 could have been paid.

WHOSE WEDDING TRUNK?

Was Property Tagged and an Old Case Found from the Handle.

Sumner's wedding trunk was packed down Broadway on a transfer truck. It was trimmed with ribbons of many hues, and the proverbial old shoe hung from a handle. What caught the crowd was a heart-shaped cardboard tagged to one side, on which was printed:

Tom and Edie.
They're on their wedding trip.
Please leave them alone.

SPRING IN CITY HALL PARK.

Some Signs Which Make the Garden Season Unmistakable to Park Goers.

The trees have put forth tender green shoots. They are full of them, just as the benches are overgrown with tramps.

There is an infant freshness about the little spears of grass that are coming up, and among which the industrious angleworm throws up in a mound the dirt from its own personal tunnel. And this only a scant space from where Mayor Van Wyck broke ground for the highway of a worm that will be moved by lightning.

The sky is blue, the air balmy, and in it is the faint smell of verdure. Likewise the smell of strong pipes. When the benches are not smoking they are smoking at day-dreaming.

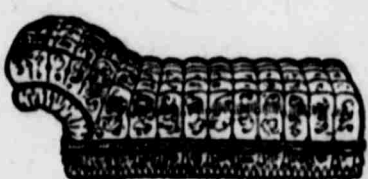
The sparrows are making nests in the tops of the elm lights. In the white building some birds are building much better than they.

The sun lies bright and soft on the lawn. Two political workers are talking at the first chowder party.

From the broad flight of steps, away across Park Row, can be seen a sign, "Hill."

On the steps two Italian women sit, lace-headed, like rings in their ears, their dresses showing like great purple and golden blooms against the white marble.

It is Spring in City Hall Park.



HANDSOME ALL-HAIR COUCH, 6 feet 6 inches long, 29 inches wide, with spring edge all around, upholstered in the newest design of Belgian Velvets and Arington Velvets, deep fringe; fully worth \$90; in this sale at **11.75**



MATTRESS of No. 1 gray South-American hair, 40 lbs., made in one or two pieces, covered in A. C. A., Amazon striped or San Remo ticking; regular price \$21.00; in this sale at **12.85**

SPRING MATTRESS, very heavy first frame, double woven steel wire, well made and braced, very strong, made to fit any sized bed; fully worth \$5.00; special for to-morrow at **2.75**



GOLDEN OAK SIDEBOARD, quarter saw, 52 inches wide, oval front drawers, carved, with fancy shaped French bevel plate mirror, 19x24 inches, a handsome piece of furniture, fully worth \$64.00; in this sale at **27.50**



GOLDEN OAK EXTENSION TABLE, highly polished, 42x42 in. top, very massive fluted legs, can be extended to 6 feet; fully worth \$15; in this sale at **8.50**

THE BIG STORE SIEGEL & COOPER CO. WEDNESDAY, APRIL 25, 1900.

Furniture.

In the furnishing of the home, the selection of good and appropriate furniture is one of the most important things to be considered. You won't find it hard to select whatever you need at The Big Store, and no matter how much you may know about furniture, how critical or how hard to please you may be, you'll see here just what you want; and if you can't see it here you'll seek in vain for it elsewhere. And what will please you best of all are the prices. You'll find them lower in every instance than those of our closest competitors. Here are some of the specially good things we are selling this week—every one a Bargain Gem:



HANDSOME 5-PIECE PARLOR SUITE—Mahogany polished frame, beautifully inlaid with fine French marquetry and pearl, covered with a handsome and extra fine quality of satin damask or Roman silk plush, and upholstered with the best quality steel tempered springs and hair, all spring edge; fully worth \$100; in this sale at **54.50**



HANDSOME GOLDEN OAK CHIFFONIER, glass finish, stands nearly 6 ft. high, contains 3 large and 2 small drawers and large hat box, pretty brass trimmings, has carved top with French bevel plate mirror; regularly sold at \$14.00; in this sale at **8.25**



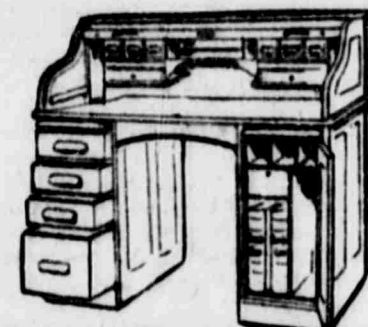
PARLOR ROCKER, in golden oak or mahogany finish, with saddle or cushioned seat, high arm, well braced, piano polished and beautifully carved, worth regularly \$7.50; special in this sale, **3.90**



WASH STAND, golden oak, swell front, piano polish; 3 drawers and cupboard, well made and finished; regularly worth \$6.75; in this sale at **3.90**



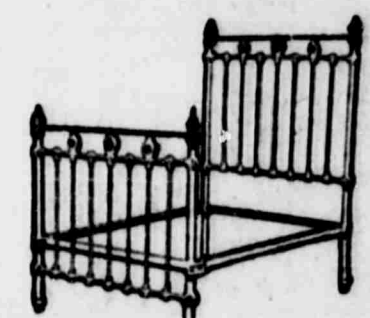
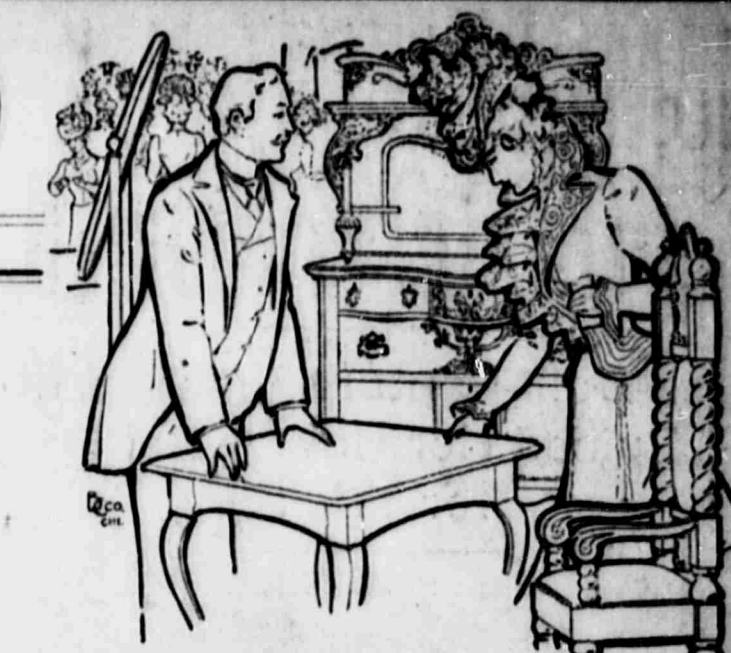
GOLDEN OAK LIBRARY TABLE, piano finish, prettily shaped top and shelf, heavy rope legs, large drawer with cast brass drop handles; fully worth \$8.75; in this sale at **4.75**



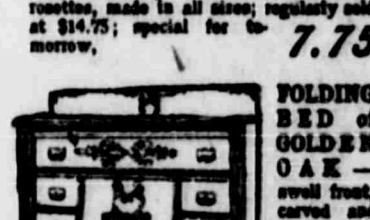
SOLID OAK OFFICE DESK, roll top, finely finished, has six pigeon-hole boxes, compartments in right side of base, two transfer cases, small drawer with patent lock and four large drawers in left base; regularly worth \$23.00; in this sale, **14.50**



3-PIECE CHAMBER SUITE, of golden oak, nicely carved, has swell front dresser and washstand, with bevel plate mirror 24x30 inches in dresser, elegant brass trimmings; well worth \$30; in this sale at **17.50**



IRON BEDSTEAD, extra heavy white enamel, 1 1/4-inch post, French brass head and foot, beautifully ornamented with brass rosettes, made in all sizes; regularly sold at \$14.75; special for to-morrow, **7.75**



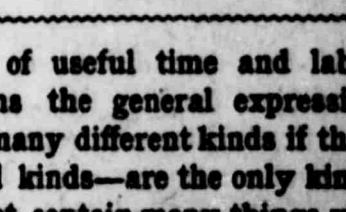
FOLDING BED OF GOLDEN OAK—swell front, covered and beveled panels, brass 4x10, 24x24 steel springs, covered with double woven wire springs; sizes 3 ft., 3 ft. 6 in., and 4 ft.; fully worth \$27.50; in this sale at **12.75**



GOLDEN OAK WARD-ROBE, with hand-carved and brass 4x10, 24x24 steel springs, covered with double woven wire springs; in this sale at **12.00**



PIANO STOOL, mahogany, oak or cherry finish, brass claw feet, piano glass ball; regular price \$3.50; in this sale at **1.75**



GOLDEN OAK HALL STAND, of an elegant design and finish, stands 6 feet high, with French bevel plate mirror, 4 double young hawks and a brass bellows; regularly priced at \$8.00; in this sale at **4.75**

China and Glassware.

Modern methods of manufacture, new discoveries and perfections, the enormous output and fierce competition have placed the best of china and glassware within the reach of those who but a few years ago had never hoped to possess a fine collection. Just how cheaply the best products of some of the world's most famous manufacturers can be sold will be seen in this list of quotations for to-morrow's sale of "Everything for the Home."

Fine English Porcelain

Dinner Ware, hand-decorated in floral designs, in natural colors and gold traced, at less than one-half regular prices. **ON SALE MONDAY AND TUESDAY** at the lowest prices. **STOCKS OF** finest English Porcelain Dinner Ware and Tea Sets at very special prices. We quote a few examples only.

The assortment is complete, and a Dinner or Tea Set can be selected from same at a very great saving.

DINNER PLATES, regular price \$3.00 per doz., to-morrow, each at **10c**

BREAKFAST PLATES, regular price \$3.50 per doz., to-morrow, each at **10c**

SOUP PLATES, regular price \$3.00 per doz., to-morrow, each at **10c**

CAKE PLATES, regular price \$2.50 each, to-morrow, each at **25c**

CUPS AND SAUCERS, regular price \$3.00 per doz., to-morrow, each at **12c**

SALAD BOWLS, regular price \$2.50 each, to-morrow, each at **25c**

BAKERS' OR VEGETABLE DISHES, 8 inch size, regular price \$2.50 each, to-morrow, each at **25c**

MEAT DISHES, 12, 14 and 16 inch size, regular price from \$2.50 to \$4.00, to-morrow at **25c**

COVERED DISHES, large size, regular price \$1.50, special at **75c**

BOWLS, regular price 20c., special at **10c**

FRUIT SAUCERS, regular price \$2.50 per doz., special, each at **10c**

BATH SETS, consisting of covered Soap Dish, Ring and Brush Vase, hand-decorated, regular price 50c., special to-morrow at **25c**

Dinner and Tea Sets at 1-2 and Less.

DINNER SET, 100 pieces, fine china, richly decorated, regular price \$13.50, special, to-morrow, at **13.50**

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DINNER SET, 100 pieces, French China, richly decorated, regular price \$20.00, special, to-morrow, at **42.00**

DINNER SET, 100 pieces, French China, artistically decorated, regular price \$20.00, special, to-morrow, at **48.00**

DINNER SET, 100 pieces, artistically decorated, regular price \$20.00, special, to-morrow, at **9.00**

TEA SET, 50 pieces, fine china, artistically decorated, regular price \$7.00, special, to-morrow, at **3.95**

TOILET SET, 6 pieces, nicely decorated, regular price \$2.00, special, to-morrow, at **1.35**

TOILET SET, 12 pieces, decorated in colors, regular price \$6.50, special, to-morrow, at **3.75**

TOILET SET, 12 pieces, richly decorated, regular price \$4.50, special, to-morrow, at **2.95**

TOILET SET, 12 pieces, richly decorated in colors and heavily enameled, regular price \$7.50, special, to-morrow, at **4.95**

SLOP JAR, very large size, new shape, regularly sold at 50c., special to-morrow at **50c**

CUSPIDORS, large size, new shape, in a great variety of colors; regularly sold at 35c.; special at **18c**

Table Glassware at Less than 1-2 Regular Price.

BEST AMERICAN CRYSTAL GLASS, hand-decorated, with prices as follows:

BOWL, 10 inch, regular price 20c., special, to-morrow, at **15c**

PICKLE DISH, 8 inch, regular price 15c., special, to-morrow, at **10c**

BOWL, 10 inch, regular price 15c., special, to-morrow, at **10c**

WATER BOTTLE, in handsome design, regular price 25c., special, to-morrow, at **15c**

WATER TUMBLERS, fine, thin, lead-blown glass, full size, regular price 75c. per dozen; special to-morrow, at **40c**

WATER TUMBLERS, thin, lead-blown glass, hand-decorated, regular price 90c. per dozen; special, to-morrow, at **45c**

Real Cut Glass AT FROM 25 TO 50 PER CENT. BELOW REGULAR VALUE. Here are a few of the many great values offered:

WATER BOTTLE, regular value \$3.00, special at **1.45**

WATER BOTTLE, in very deep new design, regular value \$5.00, special to-morrow at **2.75**

BOWL, 8 inch, new deep cuttings, regular value \$5.75; special at **3.95**

CONDENSED MILK JARS WITH PLATE, hand-decorated, gold traced; regularly sold at 45c.; special to-morrow at **23c**

BOWL, 8 inch, regular value \$10.00; special, at **6.50**

Framed Pictures.

"The painter widely stretches his command. The pencil speaks the tongue of every land."—Bryden

Handsome and appropriate pictures that will grace and adorn the walls of any home are to be bought nowadays at very small prices, especially at The Big Store. For instance, we will place on sale to-morrow

500 ARTOTYPE ENGRAVINGS, in handsome gilt frames, appropriately matted, with matching metal corners, size 20 by 24 inches, all popular subjects, and the kind that sell elsewhere at \$1.50; your choice, while they last, for **75c**

Ready Mixed Paints

Varnishes & Enamels

We have every good kind required by the professional painter or the amateur who delights in doing his own work. We guarantee all colors and sizes sold by us, and our low prices are sure to win your patronage. Here are a few sample quotations:

READY MIXED PAINTS, 1-1 pint, **9c**

READY MIXED PAINTS, 1-1 pint, **18c**

VARNISHES, per 1-2 pint, **10c**

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ENAMELS, per 1-2 pint, **10c**

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Wall Papers.

Our spring and summer wall papers have no superiors in point of beauty of design and colorings, and no equals in price. Before making your selections come and take a look at our magnificent collection. Meantime cast your eye over some of our prices.

4,000 ROLL GOOD WALL PAPERS, with borders and ceilings to match, at per roll **5c**

20,000 ROLL WALL PAPERS, in dainty stripes and set figures, at per roll **8c**

WALL PAPERS for the hall and dining-room, in light and dark shades, worth up to 20c. a roll, here to-morrow at **12c**

WALL PAPERS, embossed, pressed, embossed, in light and dark shades of terra cotta and red; sold elsewhere at 30c. and 35c. a roll; your choice to-morrow at **20c**

WALL PAPERS, rich red, green and blue, in Heraldic, Empire, Marocco and stripes; sold elsewhere at 35c. and 40c. a roll; your choice to-morrow at **34c**

Sewing Machines.

What home is complete without one, and who would be without one these days when they are so reasonably priced?

For to-morrow, we offer the only strictly high-grade Sewing Machine sold by any general store in this city. It is an improvement on the best of the latest Sewing Machine, as good as any \$50 machine, and is made by one of the best manufacturers, whose name is stamped on each and every machine. It is practically indestructible, has self-threading shuttle, automatic tension, latest attachments, and comes in polished oak, 5-drawer drop-top style, which has the appearance of a table when closed. We guarantee to keep this machine in good repair for a period of 5 years from date of purchase, and will cheerfully instruct all purchasers in its use. Come and see it in operation. Think of it! A strictly first-class high-grade sewing machine for only **14.95**

Housefurnishings.

—What a world of useful time and labor saving inventions the general expression "Housefurnishings" suggest! No house can have too many different kinds if they are of the right kind. And the right kinds—the good kinds—are the only kinds that we carry. Look over our list and see if it does not contain many things you need at home. If you can think of anything that you actually require that isn't in this list, we'll get it for you if we haven't got it, and no matter how small or large the article may be, it will cost you considerably less here than elsewhere.

Always remember that!

CLOTHES HORSES, made of hardwood, 4 ft. high, at **25c**

BOOK RACKS, with 4 shelves, 40 in. high, at **40c**

IRONING BOARDS, 44 in. long, the folding kind, with stand, at **55c**

PARLOR BROOMS, 3 sewed, large size, No. 7, at **25c**

CLOTHES BASKETS, of good quality, strongly made, at **25c**

COTTON CLOTHES LINES, 90 ft. long, braided, at **12c**

AGATE TEA KETTLES, No. 6 size, first quality, at **55c**

AGATE RICE BOILERS, No. 50, at **50c**

TOILET PAPER, of the finest tissue, large rolls, at **3c**

KNIVES AND FORKS, in sets of 12, with corolla handles, at **40c**

BREAD BOXES, of heavy Japanese tin, at **25c**

DUST BRUSHES, of good quality, 8 in. long, at **15c**

COFFEE MILLS, can be regulated to grind fine or coarse, at **14c**

CARD OR DRESSMAKERS' TABLES, made of hardwood, 36 in. long, with folding legs, worth \$1.50; at **1.10**

GAS COOKING STOVE, with 2 burners, heavy castings, at **70c**

2-BURNER GAS COOKING RANGES, with large sized oven, a good baker and roaster, worth \$7.00, in this sale at **4.50**

COAL COOKING RANGES, with large 14-inch oven, heavy castings, cabinet base; regularly worth \$20.00; in this sale at **14.50**

OUR IRON QUEEN, with large 14-inch oven, heavy castings, cabinet base; regularly worth \$20.00; in this sale at **14.50**

Garden Implements.

3-PIECE GARDEN SETS, at **5c 9c 15c**

LADIES FLORAL SETS, 3 pieces, large size, worth \$1.40, your choice, at **40c**

GARDEN TROWELS, all of stamp of steel, at **4c**

GARDEN WEEDERS, 2-3 piece, at **2c**

GARDEN PRUNERS, with heavy springs, at **18c**

MALLEABLE IRON RAKES, at **18c**

STEEL HOES, at **15c**

HARDWOOD HOSE REELS, holding 100 feet of hose, at **50c**

LAWN SPRINKLERS, with 3 arms, 12 inches, with \$1.25, at **75c**

GARDEN LAWN ROLLERS, all of the best materials, 150 lbs., at **6.00**

POULTRY NETTING, with galvanized wire, 2-inch mesh, these sizes and prices: 12 24 36 36 inches wide. 55c 1.20 1.40 1.60 for 75 running ft. 1.00 2.00 2.60 3.00 for 150 running ft.

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